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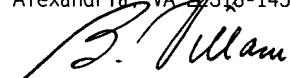
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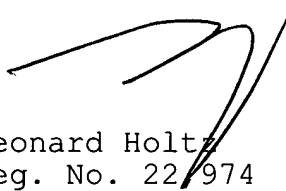
The publication by Kenji Kohno is identified on page 7 of the specification.

USP 5,999,667 is a family member of JP 10-274759.

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It is respectfully requested that the publications submitted herewith be considered and made of record.

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